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(c) Context specific interventions for children who are "hard to reach" such as bridge courses, learning centres with flexible timings, seasonal hostels, home based education, mobile schools, have been taken up under SSA. The Government of India has undertaken 17 orientation and capacity building workshops with States/UTs with illustrative case studies of good practices, to encourage State/districts to do such context specific interventions.

Ban on interview for nursery admission

‡2915. MISS ANUSUIYA UIKEY: Will the Minister of WOMAN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a ban has been imposed by the court on interviewing parents/ children seeking admission to private nursery schools;

(b) the provision for its implementation and the penalties provided for its violation;

(c) whether such a ban is also not required for nursery schools in other parts of the country; and

(d) if so, the initiatives being taken by Government in this direction, and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) Though Media has reported regarding ban on interviewing parents/children seeking admission to private nursery schools, no-Court Order regarding this has been received.

(c) and (d) 'Education' being a subject under the concurrent list of the Constitution, such schools come under the jurisdiction of the State Government.

Status of creamy layer students in reservation

2916. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the fact that the oversight Committee headed by

‡Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.